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## PARTIAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 28, 2000

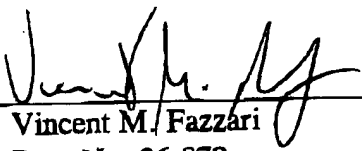
SIR:

This is a Partial Response to the Official Action mailed on August 28, 2000 setting a one month period to submit a legible copy of a previously submitted reference and a three month period to otherwise respond to the Office Action.

Submitted herewith is a copy of the article entitled "The influence of  $\beta$ -cyclodextrin on the solubility and dissolution rate of paracetamol solid dispersions". Also submitted here is a copy of the previously filed PTO form 1449. The Examiner is requested to initial and return the enclosed 1449 Form.

Respectfully submitted,  
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